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# HEALEY HEARSAY

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Club of San Diego

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**From The Editor:**

As I finish the newsletter this month the holidays are upon us. Santa will be making his visit in just a few days. Then Dolores and I are off on the next leg of

our planned year long adventure. It seems that this year has made for big changes in almost everyone's life in one way or another. I certainly never expected to be editing, well putting together a newsletter or preparing for a long time dream of being on the road for an extended period.

Bon Voyage

**January Meetings**

- **Monthly Meeting - Jan 13**
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**Cover:** Udo, what are you doing to the Xmas Tree??

photo: Bob Humphreys

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### President's Message:



Hi All

Sorry my message is a little late I know Bob wanted it earlier than usual but my normal computer crashed and so I am currently using the Old Old Old shop computer, which is slower than my typing !!

Well as it has been the last few Cork inspection tours, Randy Zoller set up yet another great event !! if you couldn't make it you may want to plan for the next one, it was great fun. I would send Bob some pic's but the memory card I had in the camera said it was full when it had only 7 pictures in it.... and then the one's Udo sent are now somewhere in CYBERLAND!!

The Christmas party was a success thanks to Lynne's crew and her and the usual suspects who are always there to help set things up !!

I do have pictures of the party but will have to wait till next month to download when my computer comes back from the dead, I Hope!

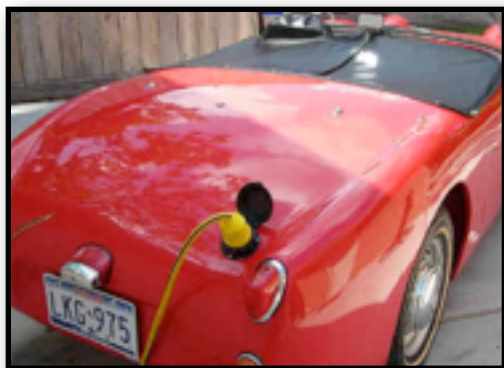
We still do not have an activities chair person so I do need everyone to bring the list's I gave out in November for activity ideas to bring them to CoCo's on the 13th of Jan so we can start to plan for the upcoming year !!

Hope to see you all at the meeting in the mean time I hope you all have a very safe and Happy New Year !!

Cheers, Terry

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### An Electric Bugeye







## Minutes Last Meeting:



Healey Club.

I will no longer be acting as Secretary or Treasurer for the upcoming 2010 Year. Our faithful and very competent Dick Schmidt will be taking over. I have enjoyed being on the Board and working in these 2 positions for the Club.

Susan Virden-Kwiat'

Hi folks--

As calendars begin to take shape for next year, please reserve the month of April for Rolling British Car Day. This will be our 15th year!

We have set the date as Sunday, **April 18**, 2010. The exact route and meeting place are still evolving, but we have a pretty decent "rough" idea. We will be meeting somewhere along the north coastal area, probably around 9:00am ish, for tyre-kicking, meeting old and new friends, gawking at all the great cars and just generally relaxin' and having a good ol' time.

Probably head out about 10ish, for a short, relaxing, no-stress, no-competition, no-judging, no-trophies route along the coast.

We will end at a place for picnics . . . so dust off those great picnic baskets, and start practicing your picnic recipes!

One of our favorite events -- seeing hundreds of great British cars of all shapes, sizes and types as far as the eye can see in front of you . . . and in your rear view mirror! (I guess if you're first or last . . . then . . . well . . .)

As soon as the plans are finalized, we'll let ya' all know . . . but the date is for sure!

Cheers, Steve

Fabulous Oregon scenery and hospitality await Austin-Healey owners attending the 2010 Austin-Healey USA Rendezvous, June 28 through July 2 in Eugene Oregon.

Event headquarters is the Valley River Inn on the banks of the Willamette River.

Situated between the Cascades Mountains and the Oregon Coast Mountain Range, Eugene is surrounded by great touring roads, exceptional vineyards and beautiful river vistas. Eugene is also the home of the University of Oregon and many cultural amenities.

The Austin-Healey Club of Oregon is hosting this Rendezvous. Detailed plans are well along in development as is evidenced on the Oregon Club website at

<http://healey-oregon.org/Rendezvous>

The website presents the registration form and will be updated frequently as planning proceeds.



**Activities - what the future brings:**

Just wanted to be sure the Ball Bearing Breaker Challenge Rallye gets listed prominently in the Activities column of the January newsletter:

The date is Sunday January 24, 2010.  
Starting point: Old Circuit City parking lot, **8810 Grossmont Blvd in La Mesa**  
**Registration open: 9:00 AM.**  
**First car out: 10:00 AM.**

The Rallye Master has set the date for the next Ball Bearing Breaker Challenge Rallye:

Sunday, January 24, 2010  
Starting Point: The former Circuit City store parking lot, 8810 Grossmont Blvd in La Mesa  
Registration Open: 9:00 AM  
First Car Out: 10:00 AM

Hosting Club: Austin Healey Club of San Diego  
<http://www.sdhealey.org>  
Rallye Master: Klaus Kind  
mailto:[klaus6622@yahoo.com](mailto:klaus6622@yahoo.com)

**JANUARY AND BEYOND**

- January 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
6<sup>th</sup> Annual La Jolla Motorcar Classic Car Show  
La Jolla Cove 9am – 3pm
- January 13<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
**AHCS D General Membership Meeting 6:30pm**
- January 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
**Ball Bearing Breaker Challenge Rallye**  
**8810 Grossmont Blvd in La Mesa**  
**Registration open: 9:00 AM.**  
**First car out: 10:00 AM.**
- February 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
**AHCS D Super Bowl Party and Men's Chili Cook-off**  
**Location ???**
- February 10<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
**AHCS D General Membership Meeting 6:30pm**
- March 10<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
**AHCS D General Membership Meeting 6:30pm**
- April 14<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
**AHCS D General Membership Meeting 6:30pm**
- April 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
**Rolling British Car Day**
- May 12<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
**AHCS D General Membership Meeting 6:30pm**
- June 28 thru July 2  
**Austin-Healey USA Rendezvous Eugene, Oregon.**  
<http://healey-oregon.org/Rendezvous>

From Lou Galper

Our friend and prior AHCS D member Dennis Currington passed away earlier this month.  
He had a BN1 from 1978 to 94, seen many times driving around Mira Mesa.  
His website  
<http://classicracingphotos.com>  
has over 6,000 car pics, including his BN1, and many autocross pics.



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# Cork Inspection Tour

photos: David Coyote







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## Holiday Party

photos: Bob Humphreys



Above: The welcoming elves,



Right: Another great meal by the Ramona High School Culinary Class.

## One More Time !







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## British Car Day Winners

photo: Chuck Sharp



left to right: Bob Farnsworth's BT7, Eddie Neumeyer's BJ8 and Chuck Sharps BJ8



Terry Cowan with his Sebring Sprite. Other Sprites not identified.



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Fairmont Butte Motorsports Park  
forwarded by Mike Williams

December 7, 2009

Dear Fairmont Butte Motorsports Park Supporters,

Thank you all very much for your continued support of FBMP. We are nearing the home stretch for L.A. county approval of the project and hoping we can count on your support once again.

As you may recall from my letter in September, we were very encouraged at the first hearing by the County Planning Commission's staff recommendation of the project for approval. We were then scheduled for our second public hearing on December 2, but it was recently postponed and the location changed by the county. The new date is Saturday February 6 at 11:00 a.m. in the Lancaster Regional Public Library, 601 W. Lancaster Blvd., Lancaster, Calif. Please plan to attend the hearing if you can.

As you may have guessed, opponents asked for a change of venue that they hope will benefit their cause. As with the first hearing, interested persons can attend and will have an opportunity to testify. We had a great turnout of supporters last September in Los Angeles but with the second hearing relocated to Lancaster, your support is even more important. We hope you can join us.

Many of you have called asking 'what can we do?' We need more letters of support!

The county is again accepting letters as part of its consideration of the project. Opposition groups have organized their own letter writing campaign and have sent over 100 letters since the first hearing. If you did not send a letter of support prior to the first hearing, you have another chance to be heard. Letters should be addressed to Mr. Jodie Sackett, Los Angeles County, Department of Regional Planning, Room 1382, 320 West Temple St., Los Angeles, CA 90012. Alternatively, you can e-mail Jodie: [jsackett@planning.lacounty.gov](mailto:jsackett@planning.lacounty.gov) with a copy to us.

You can also send your support comments directly to Los Angeles County Fifth District Supervisor Mike Antonovich via e-mail at: [FifthDistrict@lacbos.org](mailto:FifthDistrict@lacbos.org). If you do, please make sure to copy Jodie Sackett.

If you would like to read about the project in detail and view updates, all of the official documents (including the Draft Environmental Impact Report) can be viewed on the county's Web site: [http://planning.lacounty.gov/case/view/tentative\\_parcel\\_map\\_no\\_26805\\_project\\_no\\_02\\_176\\_fairmont\\_butte\\_motorsports/](http://planning.lacounty.gov/case/view/tentative_parcel_map_no_26805_project_no_02_176_fairmont_butte_motorsports/)

Also, our own website is nearly complete; it will be the go-to resource for the most current information about the project. We will send out an announcement as soon as it is ready.

We have been working for seven years toward the dream of creating the first new dedicated road racing facility in the L.A. area in over fifty years. We're closer to approval than ever, but not there yet. If you too want to see Fairmont Butte Motorsports Park become a reality, please let your voice be heard!

Thank you again for your support.

Respectfully,  
Thomas E. Malloy

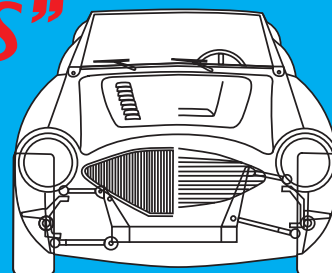




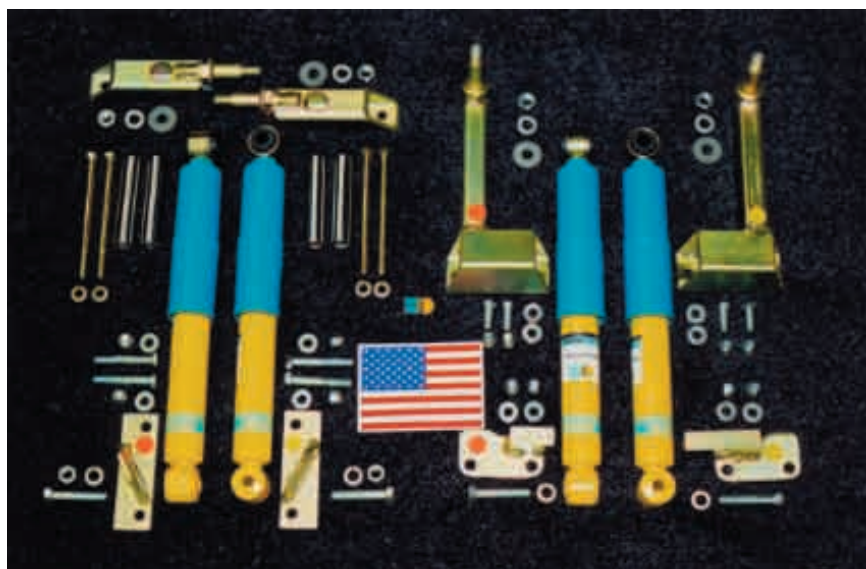
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CotY points currently approved by the Board are: AHCSO Meetings & Tech Sessions 4 pts; AHCSO driving Events, Parties etc. 6 pts; California Healey Week 16 pts; Healey Rendezvous 16 pts; Austin Healey Conclave 16 pts; S.D. British Car Day & Rolling B.C.D. 10 pts; Other non-AHCSO one day events 2 pts; Other non-AHCSO multi-day events 4pts. The Board on a case-by-case basis may award points for other events.

Neumeyer, Ed & Abbe	BJ8	12
Tabachki, N+N	100-6	6
Coyote, David	100-6	6
Galper, Lou	MG	3
Williams, Mike	TR6	3

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